

Summary of standard ISD metrics

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| Software progress and cost tracking | Ensure project schedule is within 10% of the planned schedule. | Compare planned vs. actual schedule; analyze deviations. | *Event dates (planned and actual) (NOTE: Collect both milestone dates and process event dates.) | Standard set of milestones is project start, SRR, PDR, CDR, start of test, end of test, and delivery to maintenance team. Projects may combine milestones – e.g. small projects may have only one design review -- or track more than the standard ISD set. Need to track process events (e.g. reviewed SMP) as well as product events (e.g. Build 1 ready to test) |
| | Ensure product progress is within 10% of planned progress. | Compare planned progress points vs. actual progress points. | *Progress tracking points (planned and actual) | |
| | Ensure project effort and costs remain within 10% of budget. | Compare planned vs. actual effort. | *Total Effort (planned and actual FTEs for civil servants and contractors) | |
| | | Compare planned vs. actual costs. | Effort by CSCI (planned and actual) Facility and equipment costs (planned and actual) | |
| Software characteristics | Support ISD model- building for future process improvement. | (None required at the project level.) | *Software project name *Software type (flight, ground, analysis/research, infrastructure, other) For each CSCI: *CSCI name *Primary language (e.g., C, C++) *COTS/GOTS/MOTS products * Platform (hardware & operating system) *Size (final) *Units (in which size is measured) | (None) |

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| Software functionality | Deliver the required software functionality. | Compare planned vs. delivered by release or build. | Number of requirements in the release/build (planned and delivered) | You are required to use at least one measure of functionality. |
| | Ensure performance measures are within margins. | Compare critical performance measures against margins. | Memory utilization by CSCI (planned and actual) | |
| Software quality | Ensure product quality. | Compare expected vs. actual level of defects. | *Number of defects by severity (critical, moderate, minor) | Must report number of defects by severity |
| | | Analyze responsiveness to detected defects. | Open and closed defects by severity Length of time defects open by severity | Need to choose at least one indicator of timely action on defects |
| | | Analyze responsiveness to action items. | Open and closed RFAs by length of time open | |
| Software requirements volatility | Control requirements volatility. | Compare actual to expected level of requirements changes. | *Total number of (actual) requirements changes (i.e., sum of additions, changes, and deletions) Requirements changes by CSCI | Some measure of volatility is required for each CSCI Both measures are reported to the ISD as totals for the project, not at the CSCI level |
| | | Compare actual to expected level of requirements TBDs. | *Total number of (actual) requirements TBDs Requirements TBDs by CSCI | |

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| Project Monitoring and Control | Ensure necessary project activities are performed. Ensure project schedules are met. Ensure project risks are monitored and controlled. | Analyze responsiveness to action items | Number of open vs. closed action items | |
| | | Analyze occurrences and trend. | Milestone dates met vs. missed | |
| | | Analyze changes to risk parameters and priorities. | Number of added, modified, and retired risks by severity | |
| Configuration Management | Ensure configuration management is being performed as planned. | Compare number of changes to expected levels. | Number of changes to configured items | |
| | | Compare planned vs. actual effort. | Effort expended in configuration management (planned and actual) | |
| Requirements Management | Ensure requirements are being managed as planned. | Compare requirements changes to expected levels. | Number of additions, changes, deletions to requirements by CSCI | |
| Process and Product Quality Assurance | Ensure software assurance is being performed as planned. | Compare planned vs. actual evaluations. | Number of evaluations (planned and actual) | |
| Measurement and Analysis | Ensure project measures are collected and analyzed as planned. | (as listed in this table) | (as listed in this table) | |

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| Verification | Ensure verification activities are performed as planned. | Compare planned vs. actual numbers of peer reviews. | Number of peer reviews (planned and performed) | |
| | | Compare actual vs. planned effort on peer reviews. | Time spent on peer reviews (preparation and review) | |
| | | Compare numbers of defects found to expected levels. | Number of defects found (in peer reviews) by type | |
| Validation | Ensure validation activities are performed as planned. | Compare number of planned vs. completed validation events. | Number of validation events (planned and completed) | |